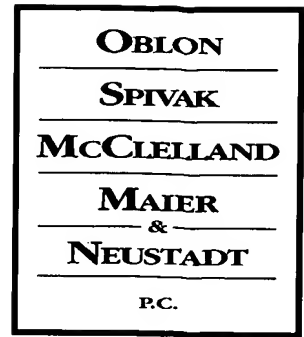




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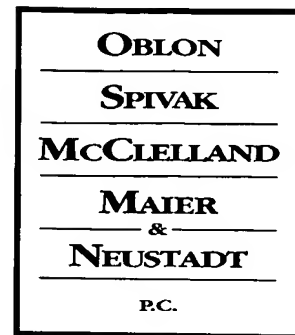
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SIR:

In response to the Decision dated May 30, 2006 (copy attached), which indicates that the papers filed July 14, 2005, are being treated as a request for status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.42, attached is a statement that the translation contained in the Declaration filed July 14, 2005 (copy attached), is accurate. Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be granted status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.42.

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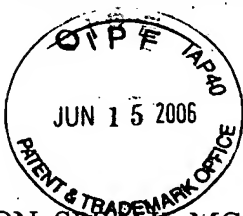
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Type of Resp(s): Renewed Request Status of 1.42

Due Date(s): 7/30/06

This is in response to the papers filed 14 July 2005, which is being treated as a request for status under 37 CFR 1.42.

BACKGROUND

On 24 December 2003, applicant filed international application PCT/JP03/16579, which claimed priority of an earlier Japan application filed 17 January 2003. A copy of the international application was communicated to the USPTO from the International Bureau on 05 August 2004. The thirty-month period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired on 17 July 2005.

On 14 July 2005, applicant filed national stage papers in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US). The submission was accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee required by 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1) and an executed declaration.

DISCUSSION

The declaration filed 14 July 2005 states that joint inventor Yasuaki Yokoyama is deceased.

37 CFR 1.42 provides, "In case of the death of the inventor, the legal representative (executor, administrator, etc.) of the deceased inventor may make the necessary oath or declaration, and apply for and obtain the patent."

Effective 07 November 2000, 37 CFR 1.497(b)(2) specifies that, where a person making the declaration is the legal representative of a deceased inventor, the declaration shall state the following: (1) the relationship of the person to the inventor, (2) the facts the inventor would have been required to state, upon information and belief, (3) that the person is the legal representative of the deceased inventor, and (4) the citizenship, residence, and mailing address of the legal representative.

In the present case, the declaration meets the requirements of 37 CFR 1.497(b)(2). However, the declaration does not satisfy 37 CFR 1.69(b).

37 CFR 1.69(b) states,

Unless the text of any oath or declaration in a language other than English is in a form provided by the Patent and Trademark Office or in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17(iv), it must be accompanied by an English translation together with a statement that the translation is accurate, except that in the case of an oath or declaration filed under § 1.63, the translation may be filed in the Office no later than two months from the date applicant is notified to file the translation.

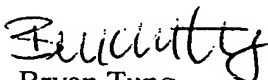
The declaration is not in a form provided by the USPTO, i.e. USPTO Form PTO/SB/103. Applicant must submit either: (1) a declaration using USPTO Form PTO/SB/103 or (2) a statement that the translation contained in the submitted declaration is accurate.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons above, the request for status under 37 CFR 1.42 is DISMISSED without prejudice.

If reconsideration on the merits of the request is desired, a proper response must be filed within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a). Any reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Request for Status Under 37 CFR 1.42".

Please direct further correspondence with respect to this matter to Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Office of PCT Legal Administration, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.



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CERTIFICATION

I, Fumiko Matsui, am familiar with the Japanese and English languages.

I have reviewed the attached Declaration For Patent Application Japanese Language Declaration, which was submitted to the U.S. Patent Office on July 14, 2005. The translation contained in the submitted declaration is accurate.


Fumiko Matsui

June 14, 2006
Date



Due Date July 17, 2005

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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- 31 pgs. Specification 2 Claims (English Translation)
- Declaration (3 pages)
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- PCT Transmittal Letter
- Preliminary Amendment
- PCT/IB/304
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- Cited References (1)
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Declaration For Patent Application

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Japanese Language Declaration

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下記の氏名の発明者として、私は以下の通り宣言します。

下記の名称の発明に関して請求範囲に記載され、特許出願している発明内容について、私が最初かつ唯一の発明者（下記の氏名が一つの場合）もしくは最初かつ共同発明者（下記の名称が複数の場合）であると信じています。

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私は、特許請求範囲を含む上記訂正後の明細書を検討し、内容を理解していることをここに表明します。

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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on December 24, 2003

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_____ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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国籍	Citizenship of First Joint Inventor JAPAN
発明者の署名 日付	<p>Inventor's signature:</p> <p>Legal Representative of first joint inventor</p> <p>We, Michiko YOKOYAMA, Naomi SHINODA, and Risa YOKOYAMA, are the heirs and legal representative of Yasuaki YOKOYAMA (deceased). We attest, upon information and belief, that the aforementioned facts are true.</p> <p>Signature of Michiko YOKOYAMA <u>Michiko Yokoyama</u> Residence of Michiko YOKOYAMA: Mie, JAPAN Citizenship of Michiko YOKOYAMA: JAPAN Mailing Address of Michiko YOKOYAMA: 35-15, Oukadai 2-chome, Yokkaichi-shi, Mie, JAPAN</p> <p>Signature of Naomi SHINODA <u>Naomi Shinoda</u> Residence of Naomi SHINODA: Aichi, JAPAN Citizenship of Naomi SHINODA: JAPAN Mailing Address of Naomi SHINODA: Kaniehommachi Tanowari 8-3, Kanie-cho, Ama-gun, Aichi, JAPAN</p> <p>Signature of Risa YOKOYAMA <u>Risa Yokoyama</u> Residence of Risa YOKOYAMA: Mie, JAPAN Citizenship of Risa YOKOYAMA: JAPAN Mailing Address of Risa YOKOYAMA: 35-15, Oukadai 2-chome, Yokkaichi-shi, Mie, JAPAN</p> <p>Date <u>June 18, 2005</u></p> <p>Date <u>June 19, 2005</u></p> <p>Date <u>June 18, 2005</u></p>

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